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## Michigan Winter Wheat Seedings

Michigan winter wheat seeded area for 2016 is estimated at 580,000 acres, an increase of 14 percent from last year, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan Winter Wheat seeding began in early September, on pace with the five year average. Growers finished winter wheat planting by the first week in November, and unseasonably warm temperatures aided emergence, with the entire crop emerged by mid-November.

U. S. winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2016 is estimated at 36.6 million acres, down 7 percent from 2015 and 14 percent below 2014. Seeding began in early September and remained at or behind the 5-year average seeding pace through the middle of November when seeding was mostly complete.

### Winter wheat area seeded, 2014 - 2016

Item	Michigan			United States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	550	510	580	42,409	39,461	36,609
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	470	475		32,299	32,257	
Yield ..... Bushels	74	81		42.6	42.5	
Production ..... 1,000 bushels	34,780	38,475		1,377,216	1,370,188	